

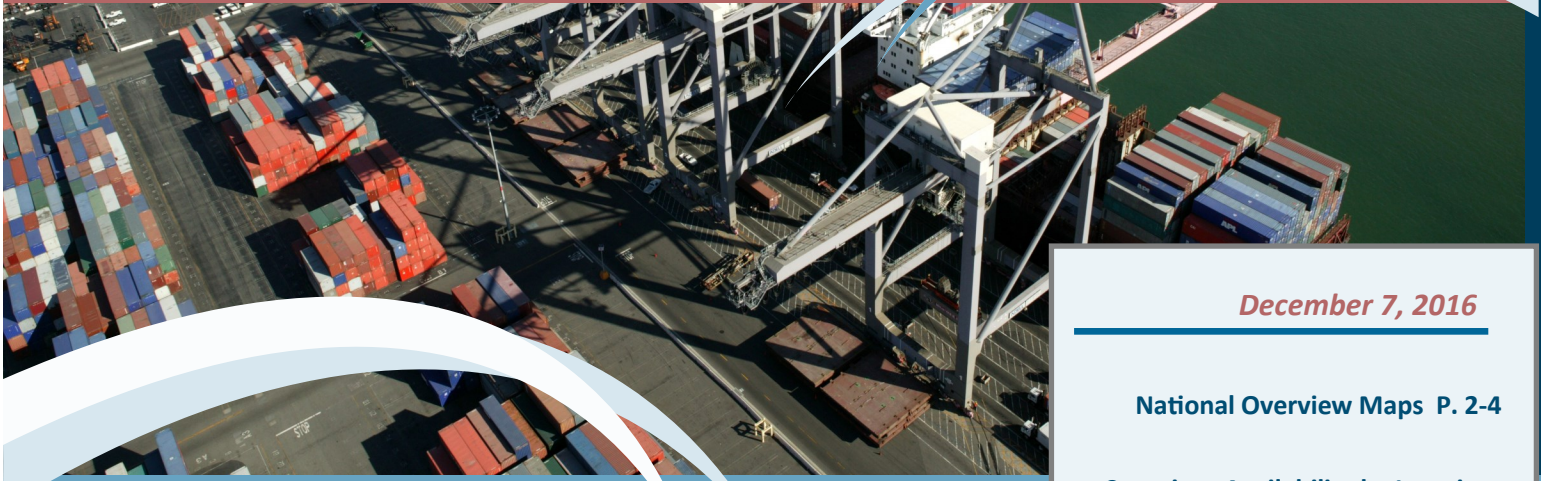


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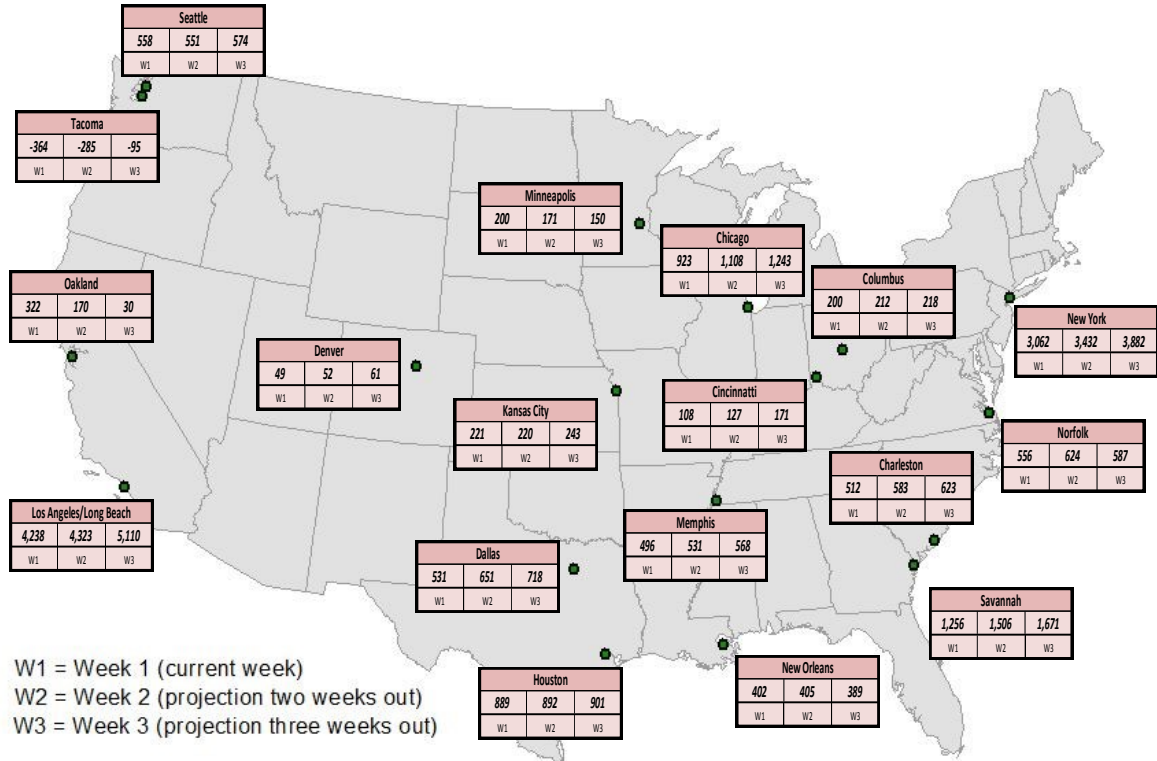
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The Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OSCAR) provides a weekly snapshot of the availability of marine shipping containers at 18 different intermodal locations for the westbound transpacific trade lanes. The data shows the availability for five types of equipment, including 20 and 40ft dry, 20 and 40ft refrigerated, and 40ft high-cube containers, and provides estimates of equipment availability for the current week and projections two weeks out. The data are voluntarily provided to AMS by five members of the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA).

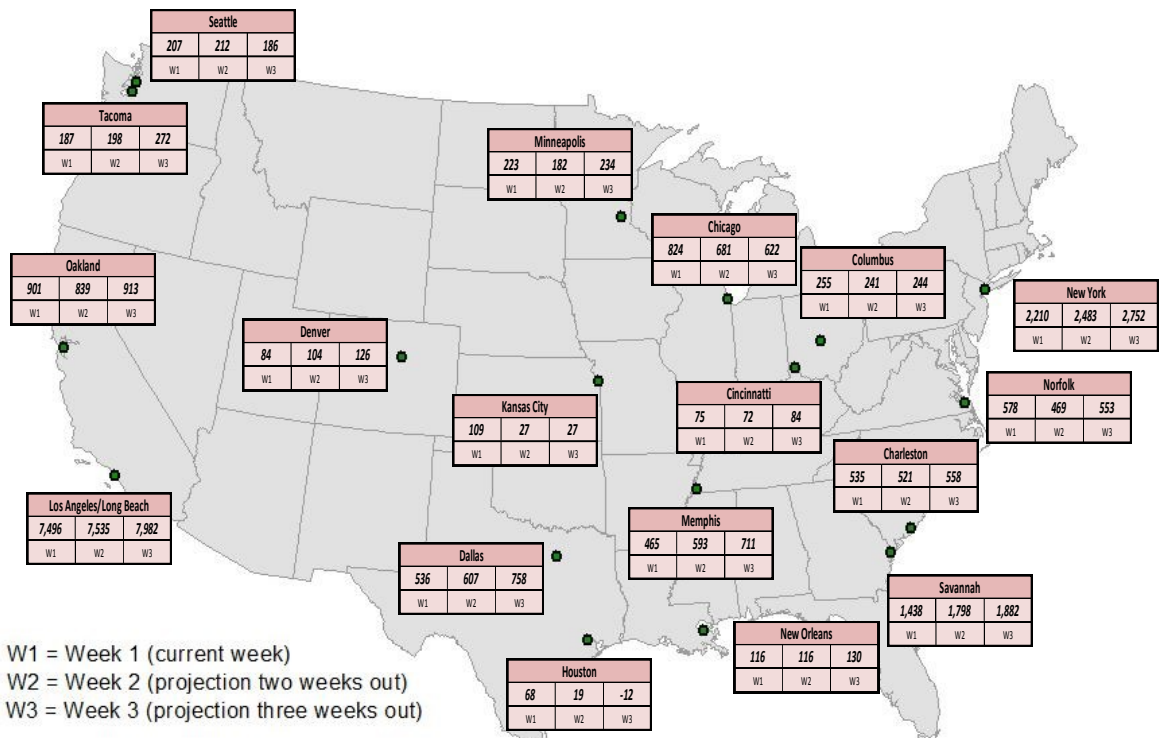
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Weekly Availability for 20ft Dry Containers



Weekly Availability for 40ft Dry Containers

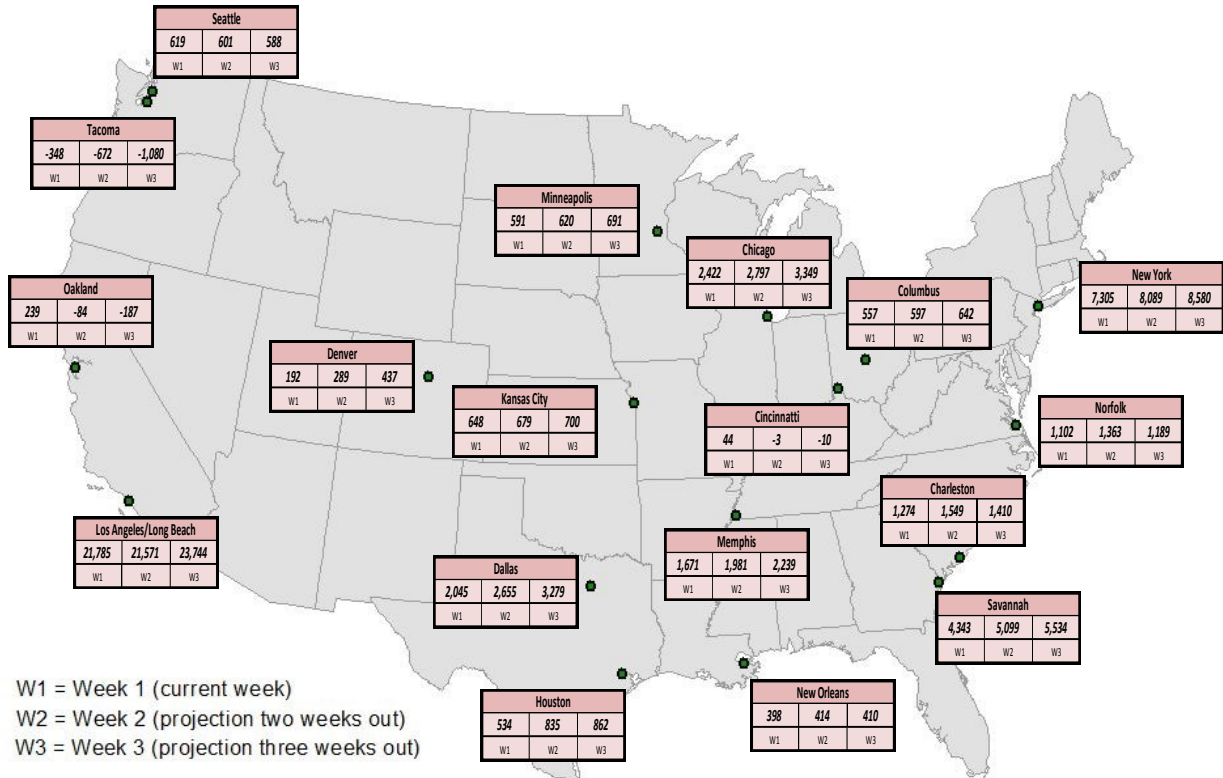


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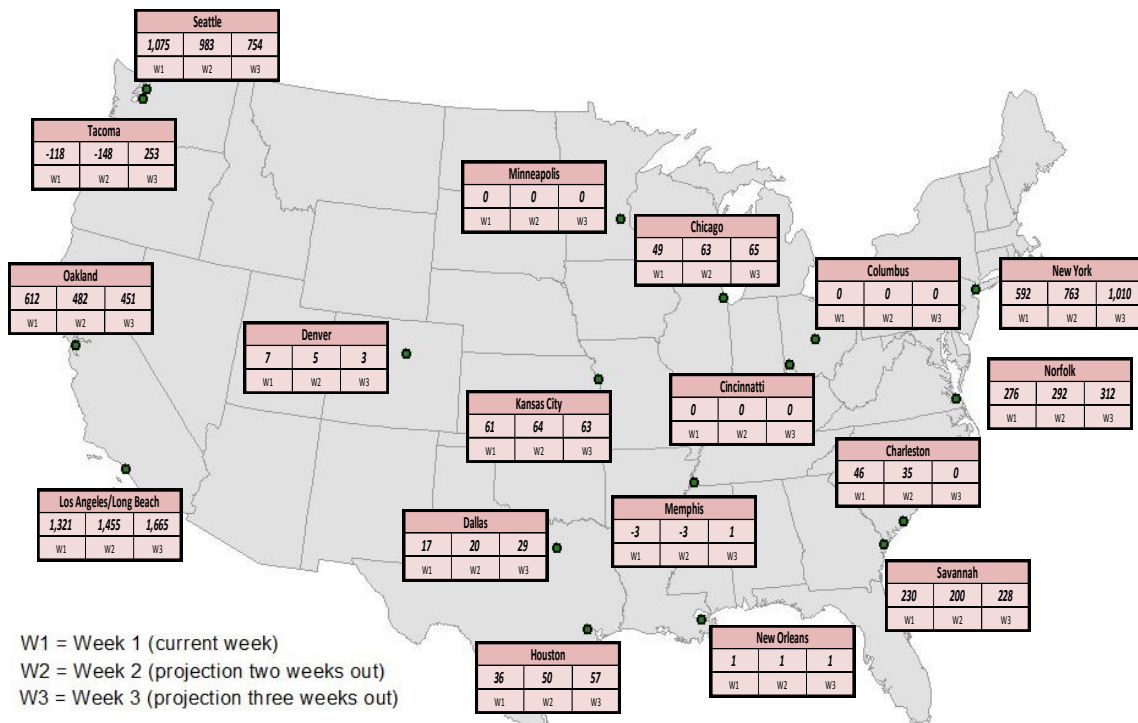
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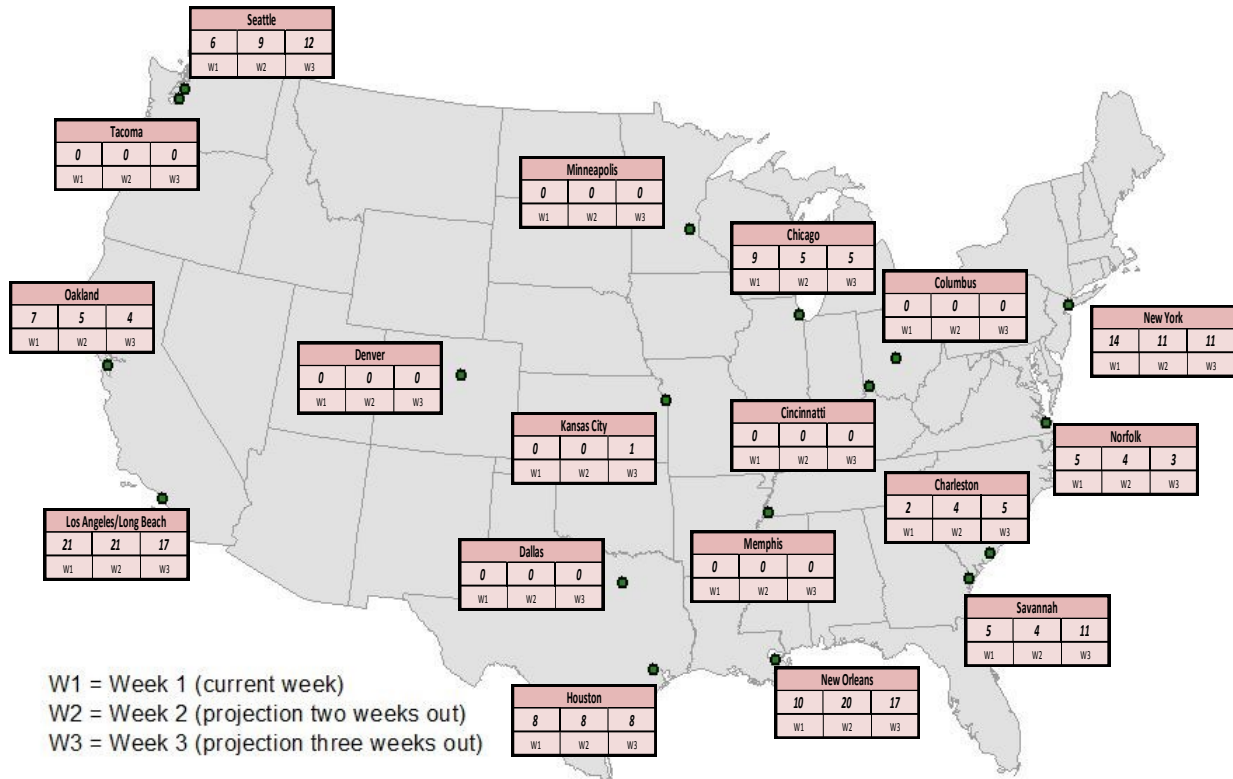


Weekly Availability for 40ft Refrigerated Containers





Weekly Availability for 20ft Refrigerated Containers





Charleston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	258	129	97	28	.	512
Week 2: Dec 14-20	258	187	102	36	.	583
Week 3: Dec 21-27	258	222	113	30	.	623
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	464	182	165	1	.	812
Week 2: Dec 14-20	464	288	167	39	.	958
Week 3: Dec 21-27	464	315	195	-63	.	911
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	810	284	111	69	.	1,274
Week 2: Dec 14-20	810	423	130	186	.	1,549
Week 3: Dec 21-27	810	490	102	8	.	1,410
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	36	4	3	3	.	46
Week 2: Dec 14-20	18	4	10	3	.	35
Week 3: Dec 21-27	9	4	-15	2	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	2	.	.	.	.	2
Week 2: Dec 14-20	2	2	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Dec 21-27	2	3	.	.	.	5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Chicago						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	407	308	200	8	.	923
Week 2: Dec 14-20	429	483	200	-4	.	1,108
Week 3: Dec 21-27	467	500	200	76	.	1,243
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	516	215	77	16	.	824
Week 2: Dec 14-20	516	132	23	10	.	681
Week 3: Dec 21-27	516	72	-101	135	.	622
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	1,028	932	301	161	.	2,422
Week 2: Dec 14-20	1,487	932	220	158	.	2,797
Week 3: Dec 21-27	1,864	932	150	403	.	3,349
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	49	0	.	.	.	49
Week 2: Dec 14-20	63	0	.	.	.	63
Week 3: Dec 21-27	65	0	.	.	.	65
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	9	.	.	.	.	9
Week 2: Dec 14-20	5	.	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Dec 21-27	5	.	.	.	.	5

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Cincinnati						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	59	27	14	8	.	108
Week 2: Dec 14-20	59	43	13	12	.	127
Week 3: Dec 21-27	59	65	48	-1	.	171
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	52	18	4	1	.	75
Week 2: Dec 14-20	52	28	-9	1	.	72
Week 3: Dec 21-27	52	46	-14	0	.	84
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	34	30	2	-22	.	44
Week 2: Dec 14-20	34	55	0	-92	.	-3
Week 3: Dec 21-27	34	76	0	-120	.	-10
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0

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Columbus						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	91	78	26	5	.	200
Week 2: Dec 14-20	93	78	37	4	.	212
Week 3: Dec 21-27	91	78	47	2	.	218
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	154	67	35	-1	.	255
Week 2: Dec 14-20	154	62	31	-6	.	241
Week 3: Dec 21-27	154	48	41	1	.	244
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	302	224	40	-9	.	557
Week 2: Dec 14-20	302	279	22	-6	.	597
Week 3: Dec 21-27	302	338	8	-6	.	642
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0

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Dallas						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	181	121	115	114	.	531
Week 2: Dec 14-20	227	144	166	114	.	651
Week 3: Dec 21-27	291	168	145	114	.	718
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	233	170	74	59	.	536
Week 2: Dec 14-20	390	195	74	-52	.	607
Week 3: Dec 21-27	530	184	74	-30	.	758
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	882	544	328	291	.	2,045
Week 2: Dec 14-20	1,284	544	356	471	.	2,655
Week 3: Dec 21-27	1,712	544	396	627	.	3,279
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	17	0	.	.	.	17
Week 2: Dec 14-20	20	0	.	.	.	20
Week 3: Dec 21-27	29	0	.	.	.	29
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	.	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Denver						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	27	16	10	-4	.	49
Week 2: Dec 14-20	32	16	7	-3	.	52
Week 3: Dec 21-27	36	16	13	-4	.	61
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	52	26	4	2	.	84
Week 2: Dec 14-20	73	26	5	0	.	104
Week 3: Dec 21-27	95	26	9	-4	.	126
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	157	26	6	3	.	192
Week 2: Dec 14-20	238	41	6	4	.	289
Week 3: Dec 21-27	387	53	6	-9	.	437
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	7	0	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Dec 14-20	5	0	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Dec 21-27	3	0	.	.	.	3
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0

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Houston						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	616	241	39	-7	.	889
Week 2: Dec 14-20	616	254	37	-15	.	892
Week 3: Dec 21-27	616	282	36	-33	.	901
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	86	62	-27	-53	.	68
Week 2: Dec 14-20	104	62	-82	-65	.	19
Week 3: Dec 21-27	93	62	-97	-70	.	-12
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	388	188	39	-81	.	534
Week 2: Dec 14-20	388	387	47	13	.	835
Week 3: Dec 21-27	388	382	53	39	.	862
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	34	2	0	.	.	36
Week 2: Dec 14-20	48	2	0	.	.	50
Week 3: Dec 21-27	55	2	0	.	.	57
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	8	0	.	.	.	8
Week 2: Dec 14-20	8	0	.	.	.	8
Week 3: Dec 21-27	8	0	.	.	.	8

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Kansas City						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	137	45	39	0	.	221
Week 2: Dec 14-20	135	45	41	-1	.	220
Week 3: Dec 21-27	151	45	48	-1	.	243
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	65	38	6	0	.	109
Week 2: Dec 14-20	-31	38	22	-2	.	27
Week 3: Dec 21-27	-46	38	35	0	.	27
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	520	95	38	-5	.	648
Week 2: Dec 14-20	520	113	46	0	.	679
Week 3: Dec 21-27	520	135	45	0	.	700
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	61	0	.	.	.	61
Week 2: Dec 14-20	64	0	.	.	.	64
Week 3: Dec 21-27	63	0	.	.	.	63
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	.	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	1	.	.	.	.	1

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Los Angeles and Long Beach						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	2,202	986	865	185	.	4,238
Week 2: Dec 14-20	2,202	1,103	616	402	.	4,323
Week 3: Dec 21-27	2,202	1,183	992	733	.	5,110
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	4,416	2,087	583	410	.	7,496
Week 2: Dec 14-20	4,416	2,375	391	353	.	7,535
Week 3: Dec 21-27	4,416	2,756	595	215	.	7,982
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	15,868	3,332	2,308	277	.	21,785
Week 2: Dec 14-20	15,868	4,186	1,105	412	.	21,571
Week 3: Dec 21-27	15,868	4,854	2,349	673	.	23,744
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	628	423	195	75	.	1,321
Week 2: Dec 14-20	686	461	233	75	.	1,455
Week 3: Dec 21-27	699	574	317	75	.	1,665
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	11	10	.	.	.	21
Week 2: Dec 14-20	11	10	.	.	.	21
Week 3: Dec 21-27	7	10	.	.	.	17

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Memphis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	204	179	94	19	.	496
Week 2: Dec 14-20	204	221	93	13	.	531
Week 3: Dec 21-27	204	278	110	-24	.	568
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	267	162	45	-9	.	465
Week 2: Dec 14-20	451	162	7	-27	.	593
Week 3: Dec 21-27	586	162	-2	-35	.	711
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	1,026	402	166	77	.	1,671
Week 2: Dec 14-20	1,026	736	205	14	.	1,981
Week 3: Dec 21-27	1,026	974	231	8	.	2,239
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0	-3	.	.	.	-3
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0	-3	.	.	.	-3
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0	1	.	.	.	1
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0

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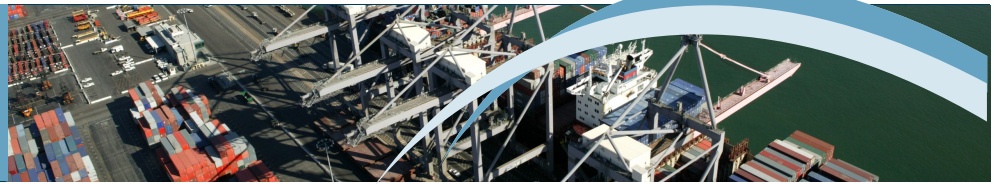
Minneapolis						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	92	58	55	-5	.	200
Week 2: Dec 14-20	84	50	55	-18	.	171
Week 3: Dec 21-27	104	4	55	-13	.	150
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	104	59	57	3	.	223
Week 2: Dec 14-20	104	88	68	-78	.	182
Week 3: Dec 21-27	104	86	106	-62	.	234
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	346	126	102	17	.	591
Week 2: Dec 14-20	346	144	128	2	.	620
Week 3: Dec 21-27	346	184	135	26	.	691
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0	.	.	.	.	0
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0

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New Orleans						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	240	156	6	0	.	402
Week 2: Dec 14-20	240	155	8	2	.	405
Week 3: Dec 21-27	240	137	10	2	.	389
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	76	35	5	0	.	116
Week 2: Dec 14-20	76	38	2	0	.	116
Week 3: Dec 21-27	76	50	4	0	.	130
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	302	99	0	-3	.	398
Week 2: Dec 14-20	302	110	1	1	.	414
Week 3: Dec 21-27	302	109	2	-3	.	410
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	1	0	.	.	.	1
Week 2: Dec 14-20	1	0	.	.	.	1
Week 3: Dec 21-27	1	0	.	.	.	1
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	10	10
Week 2: Dec 14-20	20	20
Week 3: Dec 21-27	17	17

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New York						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	1,206	723	635	498	.	3,062
Week 2: Dec 14-20	1,206	862	801	563	.	3,432
Week 3: Dec 21-27	1,206	1,163	1,017	496	.	3,882
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	880	874	445	11	.	2,210
Week 2: Dec 14-20	880	1,074	511	18	.	2,483
Week 3: Dec 21-27	880	1,315	605	-48	.	2,752
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	4,188	1,503	1,356	258	.	7,305
Week 2: Dec 14-20	4,188	1,523	1,978	400	.	8,089
Week 3: Dec 21-27	4,188	1,591	2,581	220	.	8,580
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	339	140	103	10	.	592
Week 2: Dec 14-20	434	233	86	10	.	763
Week 3: Dec 21-27	549	345	106	10	.	1,010
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	9	5	.	.	.	14
Week 2: Dec 14-20	6	5	.	.	.	11
Week 3: Dec 21-27	6	5	.	.	.	11

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Norfolk						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	270	216	55	15	.	556
Week 2: Dec 14-20	267	240	55	62	.	624
Week 3: Dec 21-27	258	271	55	3	.	587
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	307	170	104	-3	.	578
Week 2: Dec 14-20	289	183	104	-107	.	469
Week 3: Dec 21-27	323	170	104	-44	.	553
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	462	432	346	-138	.	1,102
Week 2: Dec 14-20	560	462	346	-5	.	1,363
Week 3: Dec 21-27	403	507	346	-67	.	1,189
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	144	118	10	4	.	276
Week 2: Dec 14-20	155	133	10	-6	.	292
Week 3: Dec 21-27	159	141	10	2	.	312
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	5	.	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Dec 14-20	5	-1	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Dec 21-27	5	-2	.	.	.	3

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Oakland						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	269	108	84	-139	.	322
Week 2: Dec 14-20	269	134	4	-237	.	170
Week 3: Dec 21-27	269	155	14	-408	.	30
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	480	286	211	-76	.	901
Week 2: Dec 14-20	480	274	169	-84	.	839
Week 3: Dec 21-27	480	258	275	-100	.	913
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	630	534	36	-961	.	239
Week 2: Dec 14-20	630	483	-64	-1,133	.	-84
Week 3: Dec 21-27	630	559	-231	-1,145	.	-187
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	373	194	30	15	.	612
Week 2: Dec 14-20	305	184	30	-37	.	482
Week 3: Dec 21-27	232	169	30	20	.	451
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	10	-3	.	.	.	7
Week 2: Dec 14-20	10	-5	.	.	.	5
Week 3: Dec 21-27	10	-6	.	.	.	4

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Savannah						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	828	195	145	88	.	1,256
Week 2: Dec 14-20	828	228	265	185	.	1,506
Week 3: Dec 21-27	828	266	356	221	.	1,671
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	1,148	275	113	-98	.	1,438
Week 2: Dec 14-20	1,148	352	251	47	.	1,798
Week 3: Dec 21-27	1,148	466	136	132	.	1,882
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	2,886	732	627	98	.	4,343
Week 2: Dec 14-20	2,886	760	1,104	349	.	5,099
Week 3: Dec 21-27	2,886	957	1,222	469	.	5,534
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	160	53	10	7	.	230
Week 2: Dec 14-20	160	42	10	-12	.	200
Week 3: Dec 21-27	163	44	10	11	.	228
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	4	1	.	.	.	5
Week 2: Dec 14-20	3	1	.	.	.	4
Week 3: Dec 21-27	10	1	.	.	.	11

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Seattle						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	301	250	7	.	.	558
Week 2: Dec 14-20	333	250	-32	.	.	551
Week 3: Dec 21-27	381	250	-57	.	.	574
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	151	57	-1	.	.	207
Week 2: Dec 14-20	151	71	-10	.	.	212
Week 3: Dec 21-27	151	53	-18	.	.	186
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	494	119	6	.	.	619
Week 2: Dec 14-20	494	118	-11	.	.	601
Week 3: Dec 21-27	494	121	-27	.	.	588
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	1,011	49	15	.	.	1,075
Week 2: Dec 14-20	922	49	12	.	.	983
Week 3: Dec 21-27	696	49	9	.	.	754
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	3	3	.	.	.	6
Week 2: Dec 14-20	6	3	.	.	.	9
Week 3: Dec 21-27	9	3	.	.	.	12

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Tacoma						
20ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	132	73	-569	.	.	-364
Week 2: Dec 14-20	181	73	-539	.	.	-285
Week 3: Dec 21-27	216	73	-384	.	.	-95
40ft Dry						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	304	42	-159	.	.	187
Week 2: Dec 14-20	371	42	-215	.	.	198
Week 3: Dec 21-27	467	42	-237	.	.	272
40ft High Cube						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	494	89	-931	.	.	-348
Week 2: Dec 14-20	433	89	-1,194	.	.	-672
Week 3: Dec 21-27	-35	89	-1,134	.	.	-1,080
40ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	249	0	-367	.	.	-118
Week 2: Dec 14-20	244	0	-392	.	.	-148
Week 3: Dec 21-27	251	0	2	.	.	253
20ft Refrigerated						
	Carrier Availability Category Responses					Total
Current Week: Dec 7-13	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 2: Dec 14-20	0	.	.	.	.	0
Week 3: Dec 21-27	0	.	.	.	.	0

Note: "." denotes no response from carriers.



Understanding this Report

The weekly Ocean Shipping Container Availability Report (OCSAR) provides a snapshot of container availability for westbound transpacific trade lanes at select intermodal locations around the country. The data presented in this report are gathered from 5 member carriers in the Transpacific Stabilization Agreement (TSA). The TSA carriers include COSCO, Evergreen, Hanjin Shipping, Yang Ming Transport Corporation, and OOCL.

- The data are estimates of container availability per week by the participating carriers. The carriers determine container availability by comparing current supplies at each of the 18 intermodal locations with the demand for these containers based on up-to-date bookings or reservation information in the westbound transpacific trade lane.
- Each week, participating carriers report the estimated number of containers available for the current week (W1) as well as estimates for the subsequent 2 weeks (W2 and W3).
- Maps on pages 2–4 offer a national overview of weekly container availability. The weekly national data are derived from the sum of the individual carrier responses at each intermodal location.
- Individual carrier responses are presented by location on pages 6–23 and have been sorted from largest to smallest. To maintain carrier confidentiality, specific carrier identification is not provided.
- Carrier responses showing negative numbers, such as -29, should be interpreted as meaning that 29 containers are needed by shippers but the carrier is not able to supply them. A positive number, such as 64, would mean 64 containers are available that are not demanded. An indication of 0 means the carriers have the exact amount of containers needed based on current supply and demand estimates.
- Availability levels are subject to change, and may be affected by delays in return of equipment to carriers by shippers or consignees, and by free time restrictions imposed by railroads. Due to the dynamic nature of the container industry, carriers cannot be held responsible for the level of availability at the time of inquiry.
- Data presented in the report do not imply availability of chassis.
- Container availability estimates represent availability for all export cargo, not just agricultural products.
- USDA collects these data on a voluntary basis and cannot be held responsible for the status of container availability when a reader makes inquiry with an ocean carrier. USDA relies on the participating ocean carriers to ensure the data is accurate.
- Terminology:
 - 20ft Dry Container (20ft): A standard shipping container that is 20 feet long.
 - 40ft Dry Container (40ft): A standard shipping container that is 40 feet long.
 - 40ft High-Cube (HC): A shipping container which is 40 feet long and 9 feet, 6 inches tall (1 foot taller than a standard 40ft dry container).
 - 40ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 40 feet long.
 - 20ft reefer: A refrigerated shipping container which is 20 feet long.
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